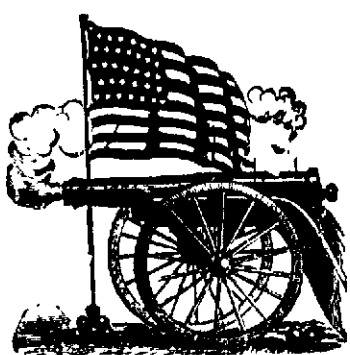


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New York, March 5.—The following table prepared by Bradstreet's gives the clearing-house returns for the week ended March 4, 1892, and the percentage of increase or decrease, as compared with the corresponding week of last year:

CLEARING HOUSES	Amount	Per Cent.
New York	\$732,382,750	17.4
Boston	11,471,454	0.6
Philadelphia	91,404,300	30.3
St. Louis	22,352,571	10.8
San Francisco	17,227,250	8.2
Baltimore	1,640,000	0.1
Pittsburgh	1,400,000	0.1
New Orleans	8,200,000	0.1
Chicago	2,000,000	0.1
St. Paul	1,000,000	0.1
Buffalo	1,000,000	0.1
Cincinnati	1,000,000	0.1
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life of every individual that is saved from sin. Do you have some such notion as that? The truth is, that the blood all the way through the bible is simply a symbol of life. In the early ages of Hebrew history, men were forbidden to eat blood because life was in the blood, and when we read of the shedding of the blood of Christ we are to understand simply that he sacrificed his life in order to give life to our world; that he gave up his life in order that he might generate in the hearts of men such love for him, such a religious passion, that they would want to be like him; and that life of his, in its essence, in its principle, was love. And so we read that "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believed in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Now then, as a result of this, the inner touch of this spiritual life that comes in contact with men through the sacrifice and death of Christ, generates in man's heart the new life. In other words, the soul or spirit becomes regenerated, and that regenerated life unfolds itself in a consummated Christian character that we call sanctification, and that sanctification unfolds itself in a life of immortality that we call glorification, and the object of Christ's coming, and suffering, and death, was to regenerate, sanctify and glorify human nature, and he does this by the power of love.

And now, let us come back to this other thought. It is true the suffering of Jesus Christ satisfied divine justice, but what does divine justice demand? Well, it demanded of God, that when he took upon himself the awful responsibility of making this world of ours, he should know beforehand that he could make a good job of it. He felt the responsibility of what he was about to do, just as you do. You have a little capital. You propose to organize a joint stock company for the carrying on of some great enterprise. You put in your own capital—you put in your neighbors' capital—you persuade your friends to invest in this enterprise. You see two results in this enterprise. There is the result of financial success on one hand, on the other hand there is the possibility of financial wreckage and failure. You look the ground over and you say: "If I lose my money, if I lose the money of my neighbors, my friends, if I bankrupt them all, if I reduce them to poverty and want, what an awful responsibility that will be; it is in my hands, shall I do it?" You look the ground over—you see the way to success—you say, "I can take my own money, and the money of my neighbors, and the money of that orphan child, and that widow woman, and I can direct this enterprise along lines of development so successfully that I can bring ultimate good out of it to every one who has embarked in the enterprise." You take the responsibility.

Something of this sort we must suppose as presenting itself to the divine mind in connection with the proposition which God made to himself to create this world of ours. There were two possibilities opened up before him—the possibility of developing a race of intelligences that should unfold its history in harmony with its purposes and his plans, and coming to a state of ultimate glorification in their individual and social development. On the other hand, there was the possibility of moral and spiritual wreckage, the possibility of sin, the possibility of all the miseries that could smite the human heart and blight human life, the possibility of endless ruin for a race. And with these two possibilities before him God proposed to himself to make this world. He said: "Sin will come, sin will make its history, sin will bring misery, sin will curse the ages, sin will darken human life, sin will smite every country upon the face of the earth, sin will have its thousands of years of development, but I can initiate a scheme of redemption that will ultimately counteract and overcome the force of sin, and destroy and utterly annihilate it, and bring out of it a great good that could not ever come without it. And so God proposed to himself to make this world, and take this history of sin, and out of it bring at last a glorious paradise, and so we have as the result of this,

THE HISTORY OF REDEMPTION,
and it passed through three stages. First, there was the stage of spontaneous impulse.

Did it ever occur to you—you know it from reading the bible, you must have thought of it if you have thought seriously of the history of this book—that two thousand years, (we are supposed to have a world six thousand years old), one-third of the period of our world passed by, and nothing was done for it religiously at all.

The God of our fathers, of our bible, and of our christianity, so far as we know, for two thousand years did nothing for this world. He just let it alone, let men go their own way, do as they pleased, develop their own history of sin, have their bitter experiences, and at last the deluge came and swept them all away, and then after that for a thousand years he left them to struggle along. From the time of Noah down to the time of Moses man just felt his way and groped around here and there, and worshipped God in any way almost that he felt like doing. God gave him no directions, no instructions, no religious teaching whatever. It was the period of spontaneous impulse. Man was let alone trying his hand at his own recovery from sin. First, for two thousand years, he made a history of sin, drank in all its pleasures, all its experiences, all its sorrows, and he was let absolutely alone. And then for a thousand years he was trying to work his way back, feeling his way up and out toward God by the shedding of blood, by the offering of sacrifices, by building altars, by the performance of religious rights in any way that he himself could conceive of, and without any divine guidance whatever. And then there was a change in the history of religion, another stage of development which I will call the Educational stage of redemption.

The history of redemption took upon itself a definite form in the Israelitish nation by the organization of a church, a priesthood, rituals and religious history, and this lasted for a thousand years; and while these people were being educated religiously, the same Supreme mind that rules over all was educating the Greeks in culture and philosophy and the beginning of science and learning; and while this was being done the same Supreme power of the universe was educating the Romans in the

development of political economy. When the school period of the Hebrews had passed, and the school period of the Greeks had passed, and the school period of the Romans had expired, the three systems came together—Hebrew religion, Greek culture and Roman jurisprudence—and they made one grand system of civilization, and out of the union of the three Christianity was developed, and this brings us to the third stage in the history of redemption, the period of individual action.

You go back of this, and during the educational period man himself had no individual liberty—religion was performed for him by the appointed functionary. If he wanted to make his peace with God he must make it through the priesthood and the organized and developed system of religion that belonged to his people. He went with his gift to the altar, paid his fee, and the priest made for him his offering, and he went away feeling that through that system he had been reconciled to God and brought into right relations with him. Man had no individual liberty in those days, but when Christianity was born the priest and the altar were dispensed with, the old educational system was done away with, and each man was permitted to approach the Holy of Holies of the divine presence for himself, without the priest, without an offering, without the altar, without the sanctuary. Christ taught him "God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth," and thus there has been unfolded during the last eighteen centuries this stage of individual action, and each man, each woman, may approach God for himself or herself and make their peace with him without the intervention of any priestly influence whatever; so we have the third stage in the history of redemption, the stage of individual action.

And, my friends, if you ever find peace with God you will find it, not in the church, not in a system of sacrifices, not by rituals, not by priestly forms, but you will find peace with God by secretly communing with him in the depths of your own spirit, and whenever you come into the right condition of mind and heart, when your will is surrendered to the will of God, when your heart opens to the secret touch of his spiritual influence, your soul will be redeemed from sin, and until you do this, nothing that Christ ever did; nothing that the church ever did; nothing that the patriarchs, or prophets, or Jewish priests ever did; nothing that a Christian minister can do, will ever avail for you to bring you into the right relation with the unseen Spirit; but when your heart opens up to the blessed influence of God's grace, then anywhere, in the open field, in the secret place of prayer, at the desk in the counting house, anywhere that your heart opens to God, there his presence will greet you, his love will fill you, his grace will save you, his everlasting arms will be about you, and his loving spirit will make you glad.

May God bless you every one with this access to him.

He Carried a Muff.

The other day a well dressed man sat in a Boulevard car going up town. The day was cold, the car was full and the usual discomforts of surface transit were turned on. The man mentioned was the observed of all observers. He carried a common black muff on his knee, his hands thrust in either end, and had a far away look in his eyes. The ladies exchanged amused glances. The gentlemen regarded the muff with various degrees of wonder and contempt.

"Newest style," suggested one gentleman to another.

"Yes; it's going to be a cold day tomorrow. When you see the pigs carrying straws"—

"That beats me!" came in a stage-whisper from across the way.

"Wonder if he wears corsets," said another.

"What is it, anyhow?"

"Sorry I forgot my muff."

"I'll steal my wife's sealskin sacque tonight."

"Poor fellow! Somebody ought to see him home safely."

Amid these remarks the man with the muff sat quietly looking out of the window. He must have overheard some of them; he must have known that he was the object of universal curiosity and ridicule, but he gave no sign. It appeared, however, that he was only collecting himself for some final effort, for when he arose to leave the car at Seventy-second street he suddenly confronted his fellow passengers.

"This is my wife's muff," he said bluntly. "She left it on the bargain counter. I had to go back and get it. I'm taking it home. If you see anything funny in that I'm blamed if I do."—New York Herald.

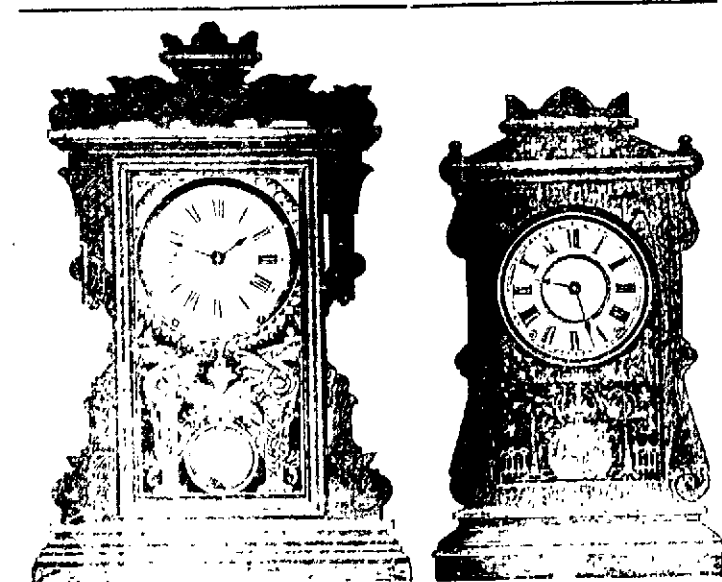
An Interesting Law Suit.

A law suit over a meteorite has stirred the usually tranquil life of Kirchberg, in Wurtemberg. Some time ago everybody there was startled one night by a loud report, and a ball of fire was seen to fall near the Rennecker sawmill. On the next day a stone weighing a ton was found among the logs by a laborer in the mill. News of the occurrence was published far and wide. Among the scores of pilgrims to the stone among the logs were wise men from Stuttgart and Tubingen, who believed that they had a rare specimen of celestial geological formations. Their competitive offers for the stone bred a quarrel between the laborer and the owner of the mill as to whether the finder of the stone or the owner of the land on which it fell could claim it rightfully.

Tubingen professors had it shipped to the university, after having agreed to pay \$500 for it if it proved to be a duly tested and accredited meteorite. The laborer thereupon enjoined the mill owner from receiving the money for the stone, and the mill owner got a lawyer, who is trying to raise the injunction. Meantime, the Tubingen professors have said that the stone has few attributes of a meteorite, and have refused to reshipe it; so laborer and mill owner are about to begin proceedings to compel them to return it, both maintaining that the university is trying to get the meteorite for nothing.

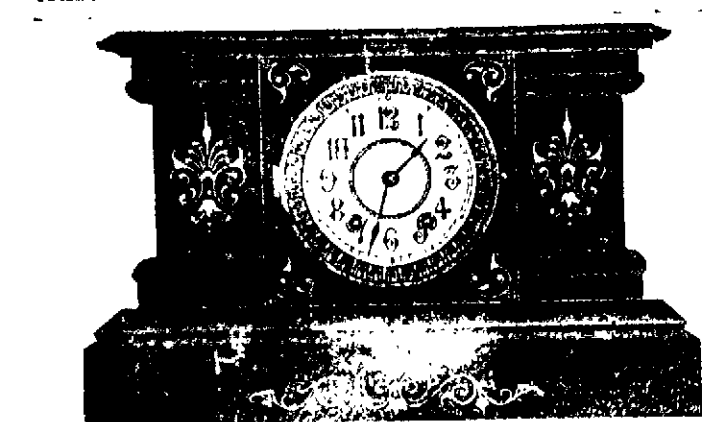
There are four lawyers in the case already and nothing has been decided, so the costs bid fair to exceed the value of a dozen meteorites.—New York Sun.

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SATURDAY EVE, MARCH 6, 1892.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for election to the office of town clerk of the township of Decatur, Georgia, at the election to be held on the 10th day of March, 1892.

JOHN NICHOLAS.

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DANGEROUSLY HURT.

S. M. Millikin and His Fall Down a Stairway at Danville.

Samuel M. Millikin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Millikin of this city, and a brother of Murray Millikin, met with a serious and probably fatal accident last night at the residence of his family physician, Dr. R. W. Gillett, at Danville. Going down a stairway, Mr. Millikin's foot tripped on the carpet, and he fell headlong to the bottom. It is feared that he is fatally hurt. Mr. M. is 30 years of age and a son-in-law of the late Judge O. L. Davis. He was a traveling man for the Haines Brothers, piano manufacturers, and had been in poor health for some weeks. He was expected to arrive in Decatur to-day to visit his parents.

This afternoon a telegram was received from Danville stating that Mr. Millikin, though very seriously hurt, was resting as comfortably as could be expected.

NEW DRY GOODS YAM.

A Syndicate from Michigan to Open a Store in Decatur.

It is learned that a syndicate of capitalists from Rapid, Mich., have secured a lease of the large store room on North Water street, now occupied by May & Churchman as a grocery store, and will soon occupy it. They will put in a large stock of dry goods and notions, and will fix up the establishment in elegant style.

May & Churchman will continue in business. They will vacate their present quarters and remove their stock to a room in the Byrnes block.

The names of the members of the new dry goods firm could not be learned to-day.

The Democratic Convention.

The Democratic county central committee met in the treasurer's office at 1:30 o'clock to-day. The committee was called to order by J. P. Drennan, and C. O. Leforge kept the records. After some discussion relating to the matter of two conventions and the time for holding them, the committee decided upon March 23, 1892, as the day when the county convention to select delegates to the state and congressional convention shall be held. After this had been done the committee went into executive session on the state of the Democratic party and the Republican representative retired.

Going Away.

Daniel Gephord, who has been a farmer six miles northwest of Decatur, near Warrensburg for 51 years, sold his 80 acre farm last spring to Harrison Benson at \$65 per acre, and next week Mr. Gephord and his family will leave for Douglas county, Mo., where they will begin life anew in a sparsely settled district. Mr. Gephord, who has been a reader of the REPUBLICAN since it was started in 1877, was in the city to-day to bid his many friends good-bye and to have the address of his paper changed. The REPUBLICAN wishes him a full measure of success in Missouri.

The Shakespeare Class.

The members of the Shakespeare class of the Woman's Club were delightfully entertained last evening by Mrs. E. A. Giddens, at her handsome home on West William street. The evening was spent in quoting passages from Shakespearean plays which the class had studied up to date, and Mrs. W. M. Catto was awarded first prize, being the most proficient, and Mrs. David Hutchinson second. The evening was both profitable and entertaining to the members of the class. Later delicious refreshments were served.

County Court.

In the matter of the estate of Jacob A. Price, deceased, the widow, Mrs. Nancy A. Price, was appointed administratrix. Bond \$1200, with Abel S. Forre and Benjamin F. Price as sureties. The property consists of a house and lot, a team of horses and other personal property.

I. W. Ehrman is the administrator of the estate of George W. Patterson, deceased; bond \$3,000, with O. B. Gorin and John Hammer as sureties. Appraisers, B. L. Howenstein, D. C. Mott and F. H. Harris.

Bishop Seymour's Sister Dead.

Mrs. Mary Seymour, sister of Bishop Seymour of this city, died at her home in New York yesterday, aged about 75 years. The news was received here through a telegram received at the bishop's residence, Bishop Seymour being absent from the city at the time. St. Agatha's school was closed during the afternoon. Mrs. Seymour formerly resided with her brother in this city—Springfield News.

Be Called for The Gun.

M. A. Minkley, of Oakley, called at H. Mueller & Sons, Marbois street, to-day and was presented with the New York club rifle, which this firm offered to the person killing the greatest number of sparrows, while the extermination law was in effect. The number killed by F. Nicky was 1294. The gun is a little beauty and has an octagon barrel, is a 22 calibre and is 24 inches long.

Funeral of Mrs. L. H. Martin.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Anna E. Martin, wife of L. H. Martin, will take place from the Baptist church at 2:30 o'clock, Sunday, March 6th. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhalligan, of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. O. E. Torrey, of the Baptist church. The casket will not be opened at the church.

Sarkis Merdianian.

Mr. Sarkis E. Merdianian, a converted Armenian from Asia Minor, Turkey, will deliver an address in the opera house to-morrow evening on "The Religious and Social Life of the Mohammedans, and Mission Work in Turkey." Mr. Merdianian will be dressed in the costume of his native land.

Card of Thanks.

The children of the late W. N. Zimmerman desire in this manner to express their deep appreciation to those who kindly offered their assistance in their late bereavement, the death and burial of their father, and more especially to the members of Goodman's Band.

A Jail.

The Republicans of Jones County wish to hold their convention at Bolivar school house March 17, at 2 p. m. All Republicans are urged to be present. J. A. GOODMAN, Chairman.

New and elegant styles of Gingham, Prints, Foulies, etc., at 123 East Main street, near the big shoe.

FOR SALE of exchange for Chicago real estate, with full particulars on file at 222 North Main street, at 10 o'clock.

HORSE THIEF CAUGHT.

Charley Poling on His Way to Jail by Way of Springfield.

Charley Poling, the young man who sold a pony for \$30 at this city recently and rode off with Joe Stock's horse, is now in custody, and passed through Decatur to-day for Springfield, where he will be prosecuted for horse-stealing. It was through the quiet work of Marshal Mason that Poling was located yesterday on a farm between Atwood and Tuscola, and last night Marshal Mason visited Tuscola and had a look at the prisoner. To-day Mr. Stock got his horse and rode him to Springfield where he was turned over to the Springfield officers having Poling. This saves Mr. Stock \$75 reward money offered, and Monticome county the expense of prosecuting the prisoner. There is a good case against him at Springfield, and the officers there will get a reward of \$75.

DEATH OF SQUIRE AUSTIN.

One of the Oldest Settlers Called Away.

Another old settler, William Austin, passed away in death this morning. He had been a resident of this city for many years. He was a native of Virginia and came to Macon county in 1827. He was a member of the Macon County Old Settlers' association, and generally attended the reunions of that organization. He was a very old man, and his death was a great loss to the community.

A CRAZY SERVANT.

Excitement at Mrs. Charles Logan's Boarding House.

Last night and early this morning there was a lively time at the Mrs. Charles Logan boarding house, caused by the conduct of Mary Beville, a servant who is mentally unbalanced. She became troublesome yesterday, talked ugly, and last night she went into the kitchen and took up a lot of clothing belonging to other servants, and then threw a lamp into the hearth, causing the clothing to take fire. The officers were summoned, and Captain Bailey and Officer Lawrence took the woman to the county jail.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Attorney J. M. Ciokey is in Chicago.

Mrs. J. H. Coonrad is on the sick list.

C. P. Housner, Jr., is in Chicago on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Johnson have returned from Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Janson are in Chicago visiting relatives.

Miss Elizabeth Kasper returned this morning from Illinois.

Miss Lena White, of Taylorville, is in the city visiting friends.

C. A. Holt, of the Illinois Central road, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall of Chicago are in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Earman.

Miss Reeves, of Littlefield, arrived in the city to-day to visit her brother, A. M. Reeves.

Robert McKinnon, a civil engineer, is in the city visiting his brother, Dr. J. W. McKinnon.

Miss Josephine Gassaway, of Indianapolis, will spend Sunday in this city the guest of her parents.

T. M. Keas is on duty again as night clerk at the Central House, after a severe attack of the grip.

N. Night, traveling passenger agent for the Union Pacific road, is in the city to-day on business.

George Easley, commander of Jordan Post, 630, at Macon, is dangerously ill at his home in Macon.

J. J. Moran, who has been quite sick, was able to leave his home yesterday for the first time in several weeks.

J. E. Saxton, of the 95-cent store, will leave to-morrow on a business trip. He will be absent nearly all of next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stenborough of Macon, are in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beatty, on West Wood street.

Miss Alice Stoner has returned to her home in Chicago, after a visit in this city the guest of Dr. A. J. Stoner and family.

DeWitt E. Avery, traveling representative of the National Typewriter Company, St. Louis, was in the city yesterday and to-day.

Marshall Mason returned this morning from Springfield, where he was turned over to the Springfield officers having Poling.

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A DELIGHTFUL CELEBRATION.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stoddard Pleasantly Entertain Their Guests.

Yesterday was the sixth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stoddard, and last evening the occasion was pleasantly celebrated at their home on North Main street. The residence of Mr. Stoddard, who is the present first lieutenant of Decatur Division No. 36, Uniform Rank, K. of P., was artistically decorated in red, white, yellow and blue, emblematic of the order. The affair was also in honor of the 43d birthday anniversary of Mr. Stoddard's father, Dr. L. F. Stoddard, who resides at Ramsey, but owing to an unfortunate wreck on the railroad was unable to be present. The evening was enjoyably passed with music, cards and games. A bottle containing exactly 450 beans was placed before the guests for each one to guess the number it contained. Mrs. F. Danmore guessed 402 and was awarded the first prize, some beautiful China ware. Charles Freeman guessed 1000 and obtained the body prize, a dozen clothes pins. Another diversion which caused a great amount of laughter, was the efforts of the guests to locate the tail of a donkey on the wall, while their eyes were covered with a blindfold. In this contest J. Rike scored first and Mrs. R. J. Stratton last. Each guest was presented with a fancy tissue paper cap, which was worn throughout the evening. The supper was served under the supervision of Mrs. Garrett and two assistants, and was a most bountiful and elaborate spread. Mr. and Mrs. Stoddard were presented with a number of beautiful and useful presents, among which was an elaborately carved extension dining-room table and a large quantity of linen and silverware. The guests included N. T. Watson, W. P. Shade, W. F. Buehler, J. Rike, Geo. Gentry, Harry Bick, W. Z. Walcott, F. O. Stratton, C. S. Humphrey, W. Frederick, M. W. Stoddard and their wives, Mrs. Elizabeth Wainwright, Misses Susan Yobe, Ooy James, and Mess